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February 23, 1994

One day Symposium
During the AAI meeting in
Anaheim, CA
April 24, 1994

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Dear Dr. McAllister:

The American Association of Immunologists (AAI) Committee on the Status of Women is a Committee which serves the AAI membership by providing a sounding board and an avenue through which important scientific and non-scientific issues can be raised and addressed. To this end, we have established an Annual Special Symposium which focuses on these issues. This Symposium is presented as part of the AAI Annual Meeting and strives to present topics which are of interest to the scientific community at large. This year our Special Symposium will focus on the complexities and multifacets of being a scientist. The Symposium is entitled **"Today's Scientist: Mentor, Manager, and Role Model"** and will take place at the AAI Annual Meeting which will be held as part of the FASEB meeting, Experimental Biology '94, in Anaheim, California, April 24, 1994. Because of your interest in promoting excellence among all scientists at your Corporation, we would like to offer you the opportunity to support this program with a contribution.

We have invited 4 speakers to talk about the various aspects of being a scientist today. Dr. Catherine Didion, will discuss the ideas and concepts of mentoring. Then Dr. Katherine Knight will discuss more specific aspects of mentoring such as conflicts, territoriality, and personal interactions. Dr. Frank Fitch, our third speaker, will talk about our responsibilities as scientists to the community. Finally, Dr. David Goodstein will discuss ethics and misconduct in science. We have enclosed a Preliminary Program for your perusal.

Since the AAI provides no funds for Special Programs such as this one, we are totally dependent on outside resources. We anticipate that the program expenses (including speakers' travel, honorarium, per diem, refreshments and advertisements) will be $15,000 and would appreciate a contribution to support the Symposium and other endeavors of our Committee. Checks can be made out to the AAI/Women's Committee and mailed to the address on the letterhead. Your support will be acknowledged in the meeting program. We look forward to hearing from you by April 15, 1994.

Your support is essential in helping to develop the full potential of all women scientists, including those women at your workplace who are dedicated to achieving the goals of your Corporation. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

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